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Judge Renata Hesse
U.S. Department of Justice Anti-Trust Division
601 "D" Street Northwest, #1200
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Ms. Hesse:

The purpose of this letter is to add my comments to the record regarding the anti-trust lawsuit filed against Microsoft.

As a veterinarian and businessman, I believe in as little interference as possible in the operations of a private company. Though I see the value of having anti-trust statutes in place to protect the public from anti-competitive practices, I also believe that in this case, those statutes have not been properly applied.

While it is true that Microsoft is a large company and has earned a great share of the computer and software market, I believe that has happened because Microsoft offers great products at reasonable prices. I do not believe it has been demonstrated that Microsoft has been engaging in anti-competitive practices that would warrant an anti-trust lawsuit of this type. I further believe that to continue pursuing this lawsuit will only sap state and federal resources that are already in short supply and cause unnecessary damage to a company that has contributed a great deal to the American economy and way of life.

I urge you to affirm the settlement proposed by the Bush Administration and agreed to by many state Attorneys General.

Sincerely,

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